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# LEWIS' QUALITY SEED BOOSTER

DEVOTED TO THE INTEREST OF BETTER SEEDS

Main Office  
Media



ILLINOIS



Branch Office  
Monmouth

## HAVE YOU RECEIVED YOUR SEED CORN YET?



### POPPING CORN

And there they sat, a popping corn,  
John Styles and Susan Cutter;  
John Styles as fat as any ox,  
And Susan fat as butter.

And there they sat and shelled the  
corn

And raked and stirred the fire,  
And talked of different kinds of care,  
And hitched their chairs up higher.

Then Susan she the popper shook,  
Then John he shook the popper,  
Till both their faces grew as red  
As saucepans made of copper.

And then they shelled, and popped,  
and ate,  
All kinds of fun a-poking,  
While he haw-hawed at her remarks,  
And she laughed at his joking.

And still they popped, and still they  
ate—  
John's mouth was like a hopper—  
And stirred the fire, and sprinkled salt,  
And shook and shook the popper.

The clock struck nine, the clock struck  
ten,  
And still the corn kept popping;

It struck eleven, and then struck  
twelve,  
And still no signs of stopping.

And John he ate, and Sue she thought;  
The corn did pop and patter;  
Till John cried out: "The corn's afire,  
Why, Susan, what's the matter?"

Said she: "John Styles, it's one o'clock,  
You'll die of indigestion;  
I'm sick of all this popping corn—  
Why don't you pop the question?"

THE SEED HOUSE THAT  
SERVICE BUILT

Buy Your Seeds by Mail

### MOTHERS AND GIRLS, ATTENTION!

The winter evenings are long. Isn't it a fine time to have something which all will enjoy? Is there anything which will bring back more joys than pop corn?

You have seen people who didn't like Limburger cheese; you have seen people who did not like green persimmons; but did you ever see a man, woman, or child who did not like pop corn?

Perhaps you may want to have a get-together meeting in your home, church or community club. \$12.50 will buy 100 pounds of pop corn and after you have had a get-together meeting of this kind and don't feel that your money is well spent, return the pop corn you have left and we will refund your money.

When you have a dishpan full of nice pop corn and all the family get up close to the fire on a cold winter evening, that is when every one is happy. We like happy folks; people who can look at the bright side of life.

Corn for popping, 15c per pound in less than 100 pound lots; no order less than 10 pounds.



William and Edwin like their pony. The boys have their pockets filled with pop corn which William raised and gathered himself.

### Boys, Attention!

Ask your father for a little patch near the potatoes, or a hog lot where you had to mow the weeds. Begin being a farmer to-day. You can raise enough pop corn for yourself and sell some to the neighbors. We want to see our boys grow up to be farmers.

### WHAT THIS BOY DID, YOU CAN DO

Fred H. Wixforth, a boy living near Monmouth, Ill., raised \$556.50 worth of White Rice pop corn off of two acres of ground. Of course, he had to work. He had to plow the ground, plant the pop corn, cultivate it all summer, husk it. He had five wagon loads which brought him the nice little sum of \$556.50; not so bad, is it?

Fred is a boy who will some day be able to buy a farm himself.

The father, mother, sister, brother, teacher, lawyer, in fact, everybody, is proud of a boy who has grit enough to do something. Opportunity is waiting for the boy and young man who is willing to pull off his coat, roll up his sleeves and wade into life's problems.

If you want to try some pop corn, just send your order right along with your father's order for seed corn and other seeds.

For prices see price list for our Fancy Selected Pop Corn Seed. We list only the two best varieties.

## \$4,800 Worth of Corn Off of Eighty Acres---Cost of Seed Only \$59.00

Ten bushels of Seed Corn will plant 80 acres and produce approximately \$4800.00 worth of corn at anywhere near the present prices. What other crop can you grow from as small an amount of seed?

Our seed is cheaper to buy than common seed corn because it will give you a still bigger return for the money spent. Figure it out for yourself. One bushel of our high yielding Seed Corn, shelled and graded, guaranteed to grow, costs \$5.90; it will plant about eight acres—cost per acre, 74c.

A five bushel per acre increase pays for the seed and gives a profit of over \$5.76 per acre over what you would get with ordinary seed. Figure the extra profit on all your acres.

Three-fourths of a bushel per acre increase will pay for our high yielding, pure bred Seed Corn.

You know it will pay you to get your seed from us. Send your order to-day.

When the seed arrives, look it over, test it any way you please, and if not satisfactory, send it back. We will return your money and pay the return charges.

### Fathers, Attention!

Can we afford to give our boys a chance to do something? Isn't it what makes men out of our boys? It takes the idea of loafing out of their heads. Home is the best place on earth. Our boys and girls are worth more than all the land and live stock. Doesn't our responsibility rest on our shoulders long before we realize it?

### MORE SEED NEXT YEAR

**Yield Seventy Bushels Per Acre**  
Gentlemen:

The Seed Corn which I purchased from you is a good kind and a good yielder. My corn is making over 70 bushels to the acre and I will want more seed from you for next year's planting.

Truly yours,

A. D. Woodward,  
Roseville, Ill.

# CORN YIELD CONTEST

FOR THE

## BOY AND HIS FATHER

Several of our customers have asked us to put on a Yield Contest for 1920. We believe in friendly contests, whether it be a boy's or girl's pig club, in the school room, or in Sunday school.

Some writer has said: "The world makes a beaten path to the door of the man who does best what multitudes do well."

We like the spirit of looking ahead, of going up the ladder, and not down.

## LET'S SET OUR STAKES AT 100 BUSHEL PER ACRE

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E. G. Lewis Seed Co.  
Media, Illinois

I want to enter your High Yield Contest, and will abide by the rules as given.

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Name

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Address

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County

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# **A SILVER CUP AND \$25.00 IN CASH**

to the customer who grows the most bushels per acre from our Seed Corn in 1920.

The acre to be selected any place in the field the contestant may desire.

Yield must be estimated on a  $17\frac{1}{2}$  per cent moisture content. Corn to be husked and weighed before three men selected by any County Agent.



## **THOSE MEN WHO TRY**

to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and beautifully succeed.

—Jenkin Lloyd Jones.

## **See our Seed Corn in Your Depot before You Pay a Cent**

Examine our Seed Corn right in your own station. If it suits you, pay for it and take it home; if it does not suit you, we will pay the freight both ways. Yes, you can take it home, test it fifteen days, then if it does not suit you return at our expense, and we will refund every cent.



## **We are not Afraid to put our Seed Corn up against any seed**

Our neighbors buy from us, and we know we can please you. Don't forget our Rape Seed---it tested 99.7 State test.

Ask your County Agent about us. The one Seed business which is building on "Quality First."

## Our Seed Corn Absolutely your Cheapest Seed!

\$105 worth of Corn can be produced  
on an investment of \$1.00 for seed

\$3097 worth of Corn can be produced  
on an investment of \$29.50 for seed

\$6195 worth of Corn can be produced  
on an investment of \$59.00 for seed

\$9292 worth of Corn can be produced  
on an investment of \$88.50 for seed

One of our 1919 customers says:

"I produced 2450 bushels of Corn  
on 35 acres, at \$1.40 per bushel, which  
means \$3330.00, and the seed cost me  
only \$30.00."

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E. G. Lewis Seed Co.  
Media, Illinois

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ bushels of  
\_\_\_\_\_ Variety Graded  
Ear Seed Corn without  
one cent. If the seed suits me I will  
pay for it after I have examined it; if it  
does not suit me I will return it at your  
expense.

Yours truly,

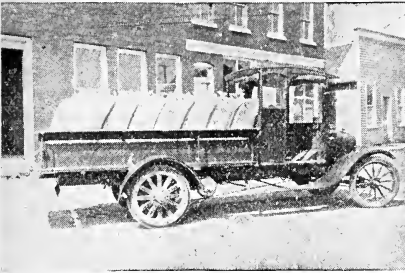
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Customer's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

OVER



## LEWIS' QUALITY SEED BOOSTER



### Have You Sent Your Order In For Seed Corn?

**We Are Already Sold Out of Our  
1919 Johnson County White**

**How many bushels of Seed Corn do  
you need?**

High class Clover Seed is scarce and while we have a nice supply on hand, it is growing less every day.

Alsike is the cheapest to sow because it will require just a little over half as much seed per acre, as Red or Mammoth.

**How many bushels of Clover, Alfalfa or Timothy do you need?**

We have an excellent lot of Black Ebony Soy Beans. Soys are very scarce. One County Agent bought 217 bushels of Soys at our catalogue price.

**How many bushels of Soy Beans do you need?**

Marquis Spring Wheat is hard to get, but many are willing to take a chance, as it looks like high prices for wheat this summer.

Our Rape Seed is good and our price is right.

**How many bushels of Soy Beans and Rape do you need?**

October 1, 1919

Dear Sirs:

The writer has been for some time contemplating writing you regarding the seed that I bought last spring.

I planted 150 acres to corn, sowed 100 acres to clover and I sure feel that it was the best \$400 ever invested for seed.

The fact of the business is that I have never missed a crop when the

seed was bought from the "Lewis Seed Company."

Mr. Lewis and Mathers Bros. have been my friends and neighbors for eighteen years, and I can say that they are all aggressive, energetic men of extensive business experience. Their honesty is unquestioned and their financial worth enables them to carry out any contracts that they make make.

I feel sure that a customer many miles away would receive the same treatment as if he lived as I do, in the same neighborhood.

Respectfully,

Roy W. Park.  
Media, Ill.

It will pay you to take the time to sit down right now and write us an order for all your needs. Order the pop-corn seed for your boy; the corn for popping for the wife and daughter; the seed corn and other seed for yourself. Add up the order—if it amounts to

\$100 or over, deduct 1%

\$200 or over, deduct 2%

\$300 or over, deduct 3%

\$400 or over, deduct 4%

\$500 or over, deduct 5%

You have 15 days to test our Seed Corn and other seeds and, if they are not entirely satisfactory, return at our expense and we will refund your money. Yes, if the pop-corn isn't satisfactory, return all you have not popped and we will refund your money on it.

Yours for a better quality  
Seed Business,

E. G. LEWIS SEED COMPANY

# LEWIS' QUALITY SEED BOOSTER

U. S. Food Administration License No. 155533

## Net Price List March 5, 1920

Subject to Change Without Notice

Address all orders to E. G. LEWIS SEED CO., Media, Illinois

You will profit by ordering early, as you will have a larger stock to choose from.

These prices are subject to change without notice and to stock being sold out.

Ask for prices after March 20, 1920, or send in order and we will fill it at the lowest possible price.

Prices are f. o. b. Media, Illinois. Our prices at Monmouth may vary more or less, because the lots are not always identical.

Safe arrival guaranteed. We guarantee that all seeds will reach you in good order.

All seeds are sold allowing 15 days for test. If not satisfactory, return at our expense. You to be the judge of quality.

References: Media State Bank, Media; First National Bank, Monmouth, Illinois.

We will gladly furnish free samples of any of our seeds quoted.

All seeds subject to stock being unsold on receipt of order.

It is mutually agreed and understood that any seeds ordered of us may be returned any time within fifteen days after receipt, and money paid for them will be refunded.

### E. G. LEWIS SEED CO.

#### SEED CORN

The following seed corn was sack picked between September 5 and October 10, 1919.  
Lewis' Reid's Yellow Dent, graded...@ \$5.90  
Lewis' Johnson Co. White, graded...@ \$5.90  
Lewis' Iowa Silvermine, graded...@ \$5.90

#### Early Varieties

Lewis' Ninety Day Yellow, graded...@ \$5.90  
Lewis' Red Dent, graded...@ \$5.90  
Lewis' Early White, graded...@ \$5.90  
Shelled in Bemis A Bags.  
In ear, crated, 50c per bushel extra.

Bred, sack picked and hung 1918 crop.

Lewis' Reid's Yellow Dent, graded...@ \$4.90  
Lewis' Johnson Co. White, graded...@ \$4.90  
Lewis' Iowa Silvermine, graded...@ \$4.90

#### Early Varieties

Lewis Ninety Day Yellow, graded...@ \$4.90  
Lewis' Red Dent, graded...@ \$4.90  
Lewis' Early White, graded...@ \$4.90  
In ear, crated, 50c per bushel extra.  
Bin Stored.  
Reid's Yellow Dent, graded...@ \$4.40  
Johnson Co. White, graded...@ \$4.40  
Ninety Day Yellow, graded...@ \$4.40

#### Clovers

	Bu.	Cwt.
Medium Red Clover double re-cleaned, Quality .....	\$38.50	\$64.16
Medium Red Clover, double re-cleaned, Purple .....	\$34.00	\$56.70
Mammoth Clover, double re-cleaned, Quality .....	\$38.25	\$63.75
Alsike, double re-cleaned, Quality .....	\$38.25	\$63.75
Alsike, double re-cleaned, Purple .....	\$34.00	\$56.70

#### Sweet Clovers

White Blossom, double re-cleaned, Quality .....	\$25.50
Yellow Blossom, double re-cleaned, Quality .....	\$22.00
Timothy, double re-cleaned, Quality .....	\$ 6.75

#### Alfalfa

Kansas or Nebraska, Purity test, 99.9 per cent. Quality .....	\$31.00	\$51.66
Kansas or Nebraska, Purple... ..	\$21.00	\$35.00
Blue Grass, 14 lbs. per bu., Quality .....	\$ 4.90	

#### Soy Beans

Med. Yellow, Quality .....	\$10.00	\$16.67
Sable, Quality .....		
Ebony, Quality .....	\$ 8.00	\$13.34
Austin, Quality .....	\$ 8.00	\$13.34

#### Marquis Spring Wheat

Early Java Spring Wheat (bearded) .....	\$ 4.50
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#### Oats

Iowa 103, 10 bu. lots, Quality... \$	1.40
Iowa 103, more than 10 bushel, Quality .....	\$ 1.30

#### Dwarf Essex Rape, Ger. 96.5 per cent, purity 99.6, Quality.....

	\$ 7.40	\$14.80
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#### Sudan Grass, Quality.....

	\$16.00
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#### Sacks weighed in.

#### Pumpkin Seed

Small Sugar .....	¼ lb. 30c, 1 lb. \$1.00
Large Cheese .....	¼ lb. 30c, 1 lb. \$1.00
Connecticut Field.....	¼ lb. 30c, 1 lb. \$1.00

#### Pop Corn

Dwarf Rice Seed, postpaid.....	50c per lb.
White Rice, postpaid.....	40c per lb.
Popping Corn.....	15c per lb., \$12.50 cwt.

#### Nitrogen Inoculating Bacteria

Half acre size.....	\$ .50
One acre size.....	1.00
Two acre size.....	1.80
Five acre size.....	4.00
Ten acre size.....	7.50

#### When Cash Accompanies Order Deduct as Follows:

On a \$100 order deduct.....	1 per cent
On a \$200 order deduct.....	2 per cent
On a \$300 order deduct.....	3 per cent
On a \$400 order deduct.....	4 per cent
On a \$500 order deduct.....	5 per cent

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